

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

Pursuant to Sections 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting, herewith, certification of a proposed amendment to a technical assistance agreement for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to Japan for the export and assembly of the Vertical Launch ASROC (Anti-Submarine Rocket) (VLA) system for Japan.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights, and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable

John F. Kerry, Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations, United States Senate.